

# Travelers

The Journey of  
1,000 Choices



# The Nature of Fading Away



# Permanence

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1 Peter 1:23



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# Humbling Comparison

All people are like grass  
and all their glory  
is like the flowers of the field...

1 Peter 1:24-25



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# Humbling Comparison

the grass withers  
and the flowers fall  
but the word of the Lord  
endures forever

1 Peter 1:24-25



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# What Fades; What Endures

What are we all about?

How much of it fades?

Endures?



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# What Fades; What Endures

What are the most meaningful parts of our lives?

How much time & attention do we give them?



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# Travelers Packing List

Therefore, rid yourselves  
of all malice...

1 Peter 2:1



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**Nope.**  
“Just by yourself”



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**Travelers grow  
Change  
God transforms us**



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# “All-Natural” Humanity

Temper tantrum  
training?

Advanced degree  
in meltdowns?



# “All-Natural” Humanity

“Hate needs no instruction  
but waits only to be provoked”

Katherine Anne Porter



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# Contempt is All-Natural

What “natural” parts of us need to be changed?



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# Beyond the Natural

Kindness amidst malice

Reflects something of God

Requires God



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# Travelers Packing List

Malice

Deceit

Hypocrisy

Envy

Slander of every kind

1 Peter 2:1



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# Grown-Up Babies

Like newborn babies,  
crave pure spiritual milk,  
so that by it you may grow  
up in your salvation...

1 Peter 2:2



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# Grown-Up Babies

...so that by it you may grow  
up in your salvation  
now that you have tasted  
that the Lord is good

1 Peter 2:2-3



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# Grown-Up Concerns

5 & 5



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# 5 & 5

Prayer request & a goal  
Find & share five stories of:  
New faith in Christ  
New faith steps



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# 5 & 5

Pray	Listen
Plan	Seek
Ask	Contribute
Be!	



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# The Nature of Fading Away

For the sun rises with scorching heat and withers the plant; its blossom falls and its beauty is destroyed.

In the same way, the rich will fade away even while they go about their business.



James 1:11

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“While achieving what the world said was important, I was fading away.”



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